49. Jaslok Hospital, Bombay.

50. Sir H. N. Hospital, Bombay.

51. Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Vaidyakiy Pratistan, Aurangabad.

52. Maharashtra Medical Foundation, Pune.

53. Indian Red Cross Society, Pune.

54. Nagjee Memorial Hospital, Nasik

Statement II

Names of the Hospitals whose applications for exemption from custom duty made since 1-1-93 which have been accepted and details of equipments given Duty Exemption.

S. No.	Name of the Institution	Name of the equipment
1.	Calcutta Medical Research Centre, Calcutta.	1. Multichannel cardioscopes monitors (2)
		2. Multichannel recorder for cardiac electrophysiology.
		3. Intra Aortic Balloon Pump Accessories.
2.	Sir Gangaram Hospital, New Delhi.	1. Beckman Synchron: CX-4 Discrete RA fully automated Blood Chemistry Analyser.
		2. Beckman : Synchron EI-ISE 4-channel electrolyte analyser for Na. K. Cl and CO_2.

Jawans working on daily wages in C. R. P. F.

*309. SHRI N. E. BALARAM :
SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that about 3000 Jawans are working on daily wages in the Central Reserve PoliceForce (CRPF);

(b) whether it is a fact that these Jawans have served continuously for about four years and still remain on daily wages; and

(c) if the answers to parts (a) and (b) above be in affirmative, the details thereof and reasons for not making them permanent ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) to (c) 2011 Constables are working in 6 Auxiliary Bns. of CRPF, on a consolidated honorarium of Rs. 30 per day, besides ration money. Of these, 1478 Constables are in service since 1989 and 533 since 1991. 572 Aux. Constables who satisfied the regular recruitment standards of CRPF, have been absorbed in the regular Battalions.

Losses incurred by DTC

*310. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE :
SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH :

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that DTC has been running into losses year after year;

(b) if so, what is the estimated loss of DTC during the last three years, stating the factors responsible for such losses;

(c) the steps taken and the results thereof;

(d) whether Government propose to set-up a Committee to go into the working of the DTC in its entirety or to hold a CBI enquiry;

(e) if so, the steps taken by Government in this direction; and

(f) if answer to (c) be in the negative, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of the losses incurred by DTC during the last 3 years are as under :—

(Rs. in crores)

year	Working loss (excluding interest and depreciation)	Net loss (including interest and depreciation)
1990—91	113.23	197.48
1991—92	83.86	203.82
1992—93 (Provisional)	56.93	245.28

The main reasons for the losses are :—

(i) Un-economic fare structure.

(ii) Rising cost of labour and material inputs.

(iii) Concessions given to the Students and Weaker sections of the society through concession.

(iv) Heavy interest burden on the loans advanced to DTC.

(v) The operation of nealy 3000 redline buses on city routes.

(vi) Operation of many un-remunerative routes on special consideration e. g. university and rural routes etc.

(c) Steps are taken on a continuous basis to improve the functioning of DTC. This has resulted in improvement of :

(i) Fuel efficiency (KMPL).

(ii) Tyre life.

(iii) Accident rate.

(iv) Break down rate.

Further, based on the recommendations of the Group of Ministers (GOM) and the report of a Committee headed by Additional Secretary and F. A. (SFT), the Government are finalising an inter-connected package for the rehabilitation of Delhi Transport Corporation in order to ensure its long term viability. The main suggestions under consideration are :—

(a) Withdrawal from loss making routes ;

(b) Capital restructuring of DTC;

(c) Reimbursement by Government of the losses incurred on account of concessional passes;

(d) Commercial development of land of DTC's depots;

(e) Improved efficiency of operations by lowering cost through better fleet utilisation and improved maintenance practices;

(f) Proposal for making Police Personnel upto the rank of Sub-Inspector of Police, liable to obtain concessional passes instead of free travel, as at present;

(g) Evolving an institutional mechanism for annual revision of fares of DTC;

(h) Conversion of loan given to DTC into equity so as to reduce the interest burden.

Further, consequent upon the introduction of Voluntary Retirement Scheme in DTC w. e. f. March, 1993, a total of 3687 persons have since been retired. This has resulted in the improvement of Bus staff ratio for the operation of the buses. There is a complete ban on further recruitment in the DTC.

(d) No. Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) Does not arise.

Dues from Iraq

*311. SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH :
SHRI RAM GOPAL YADAV :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have recently approached the UN Security Council for allowing Iraq to pay Rs. 2 thousand crores it owed to private company by way of supplying Oil or by providing financial relief through UN funds;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the response received ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED) : (a) No, Sir, Formal approach to the UN Security Council (UN Sanctions Committee) was not made since informal soundings had indicated that this would not elicit a positive response.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Stock of Paraffin Wax Type-III

*312. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY :
SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM :

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is enough stock of Paraffin Wax Type-III in the country and whether small scale units are facing problems in selling their products;

(b) if so, the reasons due to which import of Paraffin Wax is allowed even for the industries which can use type-III spending crores of rupees in foreign exchange;

(c) what is the amount of Paraffin Wax that has been imported in the years 1991, 1992 and